Translation of relevant extracts from SU 128675

...The disadvantage of the known letter separator consists in that its roll sometimes takes two letters instead of one...

...The separator (Fig.1) is mounted on the upper end of a cassette 1, which is a box in which letters under the action of a pressing device are constantly urged in the direction of the arrow A. The separator contains a roll 2 consisting of two segmented plates 3 between which rollers 4 are mounted. The surfaces of the plates 3 and rollers 4 are coated with rubber. The roll 2, when rotating in the direction indicated by arrows, takes from the cassette the top letter, which is directed along a plate 5 to a roll 6, which transports the letter to subsequent operations. Meanwhile the rollers 4 rotate in the opposite direction retaining the next letter in the cassette...